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 Inventorship .....Layman et al.  
 Applicant..... Microsoft Corporation  
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 Title: *Object Persister*

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## PETITION TO ACCEPT A DELAYED CLAIM UNDER 35 USC § 119(e)

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As authorized by 37 CFR § 1.78((a)(5) and/or (6), Applicant asks the Office to grant this petition to accept an unintentionally delayed claim under 35 USC § 119(e) for the benefit of a prior-filed provisional application.

Applicant is seeking to amend the specification of this application in order to include a claim (under 35 USC § 119(e)) for the benefit of the priority of a prior-filed provisional patent application. Specifically, the amendment will claim the benefit of US Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/148,172, which was filed on August 10, 1999.

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1 In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.78(a)(6), Applicant will pay the surcharge  
2 set forth in § 1.17(t).

3 The entire delay between the date the claim was due under 37 CFR § 1.78  
4 (a)(5)(ii) and the date the claim is filed (which is the same date that this petition is  
5 dated) was unintentional.

6 In summary, Applicant asks the Office to grant this petition to accept an  
7 unintentionally delayed claim under 35 USC § 119(e) for the benefit of a prior-  
8 filed provisional application.

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